



2

4

5

6

7

8

9

10

11

12

13

14

15

16

October 2016

#### INSIDE THIS ISSUE:

WHPA CONTACTS

PRESIDENT'S COLUMN 3

CHAPLAIN COLUMN BEHIND THE MASK

2016 WHPA TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

TOURNAMENT CONTACTS

STATE TOURNAMENT WHPA AWARDS

STATE TOURNAMENT RESULTS

TOURNAMENT RESULTS

FALL TOURNAMENT RESULTS

KEVIN BREKKE STATE RECAP

REIN STATE TOURNEY STORY

REIN STATE TOURNEY STORY

REIN STORY STATE CANDIDS

STATE TOURNEY CANDIDS

FRED LANE PROMO

WHAT'S NEW 2017 RENEWAL



Larry Grabowski #2



Ken Heinritz #2



Kane Kuester #I



Aleena Lepak #5



Caitlyn Trangsrud #I



Sarah Chaffee #2



Gunnar David #6

# **Congratulations!**

# WHPA State Champions

### WISCONSIN HORSESHOES ~ HTTP://WHPAHORSESHOES.COM

#### Jimmy Paulson, PUBLISHER

262-215-4001 jimmypa2@hotmail.com

#### Julie Paulson, LAYOUT/EDITOR

262-215-7065 julie\_p\_2007@yahoo.com

### Gary Volz, LAYOUT

508 Tanglewood Drive, DeForest, WI 53532 608-444-8563 whpagvolz@gmail.com

#### Jane Smith, FEATURES/SUBSCRIPTIONS

1481 180th Ave, Balsam Lake WI 54810 715-485-3057 kirbys007@centurytel.net

### WHPA Officers

Gary Volz, PRESIDENT

(see above, Layout)

Jane Smith, 1st VICE PRESIDENT (see above, Features & Subscriptions)

Kevin Brekke, 2nd VICE PRESIDENT 1802 Lois Lane Edgerton, WI 53534 608-669-1218 Brekkekev3@netscape.net

Sonia Cook, 3rd VICE PRESIDENT DIRECTOR, JR. SCHOLARSHIP FUND D 1483 2nd St. Stratford, WI 54484

715-384-5540 cook\_sonia@yahoo.com

John Secord, SECRETARY-TREASURER W6868 Brown Rd, Fond du Lac WI 54937 920-922-0080 whpajs@charter.net

Jeff Secord, HALL OF FAME CHAIR W2805 Johnsburg Rd, Fond du Lac, WI 54937 920-795-4171 jeffsecord@outlook.com

Ken Heinritz, WHPA CHAPLAIN N95 W22107 Cty Rd Q, Colgate WI 53017 262-255-7339 heinritzken@gmail.com

#### Fred Lane, Publicity / Promotion

541 2nd St. North, Stevens Point, WI 54481 715-347-2507 fred-lane@live.com

#### Contributing Writers

Trent Bratland Karla Brekke Kevin Brekke Ray Growskinsky Ken Heinritz Bill Matey

Jimmy Paulson Julie Paulson Randy & Marge Rein Jane Smith Gary Volz Jer Wegner THANK YOU!!

Sponsored By:

Chet's Car Care of Madison

Submissions deadline for our next issue is

Nov 15

kirbys007@centurytel.net

### NHPA Staff

Beloit Horseshoe Club NHPA GAME-RELATED SALES 640 Ravine Dr. Beloit VVI 53511 608-365-9901 epauls@live.com

John Meyer, NHPA Regional Director 500 Martin Dr. Fond du Lac, WI 54935 920-921-2936 jhmey64@hotmail.com

Aleena Lepak, NHPA Jr. Promotion D1483 2nd St, Stratford, WI 54484 715-650-0637 aleena\_cook5@hotmail.com

#### On The Web

**NHPA SITE:** http://horseshoepitching.com Email: info@horseshoepitching.com

WHPA SITE: http://whpahorseshoes.com Webmaster: Dave Volz davevolz@hotmail.com

#### WHPA BULLETIN (YAHOO! News Group)

http://sports.groups.yahoo.com/group/whpa\_bulletin Administrator: Pam Aiken pamaiken@gmail.com



Our President Gary Volz

#### **Behind the Mask**

With NHPA Chaplain Ken Heinritz



The 2016 state tournament is in the books. It was a beautiful weekend and a great tournament. Congratulations to all the state champions and award winners.

A big thanks to Randy, Marge, and the Little Bull Falls club for all their hard work in putting on such a great event. It was nice to see so many first time pitchers this year. We need to continue to promote and recruit new members.

This state tournament had quite the media coverage thanks to Fred Lane. He contacted every media outlet in the area and his efforts paid off. I think all the local TV stations attended and did interviews with Randy. There were also some nice articles in the local papers.

The transition to winter pitching is upon us. There are no shortage of opportunities to pitch this winter. I hope to see many of you at the fall meeting. It is at IPM at the Delton Sportsmen's Club. The address and directions will be on the website.



Wow! How do you top that? The National Anthem sung by Valerie Hoffman(Kurt Jochimsen's daughter) & accompanied by former Milwaukee Sym-

phany Orchestra's Violist Lewis Rosove was one for the ages. The rendition of the anthem that the horseshoe pitching attendees were blessed with, could have been played at Miller Park, or at the Super Bowl or even the Olympics.

A stellar job performed by these two individuals who selflessly offer their talents. What an inspiration!! What an example!! Thank you to both Lewis & Val.

And another well-run State tournament, thanks goes out to Randy & Marge Rein and their team of dedicated workers to our great sport! And a shout out to Kevin Brekke & the entire scorekeeping crew.



Well done!! The indoor facility of the Mosinee Rec Center is 'state of the art' & arguably the best the state offers.

"I beseech you... that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service." Romans 12:1

#### 2016 Tournament Schedule

Month/Date	Tournament Title	Entry Fee	Sanction #	Deadline	Contact
08/09 Oct	Fall Singles	\$20	28-16-035	Sep 30	Earl Paulson
15 Oct	Fall Meeting Lake	e Delton		-	
22/23 Oct	Deanville Singles	\$18	28-16-036	Oct 15	Rudy Van Fleet
05/06 Nov	Autumn Harvest	\$20	28-16-037	Oct 25	Earl Paulson
12/13 Nov	Doubles at the Barrel	\$20	28-16-038	Nov 05	Rudy Van Fleet
03/04 Dec	Snowflake	\$20	28-16-039	Nov 23	Earl Paulson
10/11 Dec	Deansville Open	\$18	28-16-040	Nov 26	Rudy Van Fleet

#### Sunday Morning Church Service

Each State Tournament event, we are fortunate to have Ken Heinritz involve many WHPA members in beginning the day with friends. This year we were gifted with the musical talents of Valerie Hoffman, Lewis Rosove and John Brugger. Ken and his family have been very generous sharing their talents with the WHPA. Thank you all who answered a "yes" when asked to participate.



#### Chetek

Les Karpiel 2965 9 5/8 Ave Chetek, WI 54728-8032 715-924-4020 Ikarpiel I @centurytel.net

Green Bay Steve Wiegert 1505 Ellis St Green Bay, WI 54302 C: 920-362-6464 H: 920-435-6310 sesaw@sbcglobal.net

**New London** 

Ken Jaeger N3539 Knight Rd New London, WI 54961 920-982-6287

deershoe@live.com

Arkdale Ray Groskinsky 1551 Hwy 13 Friendship, WI 53934 608-339-2466 rgkg73@frontier.net

Mosinee (Log Jam) Trent Bratland III3 N. First Ave Wausau, WI 54401 715-574-7974 tnbbratland@charter.net

Eau Claire Dean Chaffee 19333 59<sup>th</sup> St Chippewa Falls, WI 54729 715-861-3470 echorseshoe@gmail.com

**Centuria** Jane Smith 1481 180 Ave Balsam Lake, WI 54810 715-485-3057 (715 497 9833) <u>kirby007@centurytel.net</u>

Club Team Dave Volz W7133 Geier Rd Wonewoc, W1 53968 608-547-2769 davevolz@hotmail.com

#### **Tournament Contacts**

Edgerton (non-sanctioned) Kevin Brekke 1802 Lois Lane Edgerton, WI 53534 608-669-1218 brekkekev3@netscape.net

Deansville Rudy Van Fleet 210 Avalon Rd Columbus, WI 53925 920-210-7579 rudyvanfleet@sbcglobal.net

Combined Locks Rosemary Kamps 101 Kamps Ct Combined Locks, WI54113 920-788-3229 jkrk101@sbcglobal.net

Marshfield Mel Cook D1483 Second St Stratford, VVI 54484 715-650-0639

trackcp2@yahoo.com

Mosinee (Ken Kosky) Randy Rein 201 2<sup>nd</sup> St Mosinee, WI 54455 715-693-1199 rjrein@charter.net

Holman Wayne Lemar N3650 Peters Rd La Crosse, WI 54601 608-317-9512

awlemar@charter.net

Platteville Norm Mauthe 865 Eastman St Platteville, WI 53818 608-348-9697 imperialplus@hotmail.com

**Stevens Point (non-sanctioned)** Fred Lane 541 2<sup>nd</sup> St North Stevens Point, WI 54481 715-347-2507 <u>fred-lane@live.com</u> Eagle River Cliff Erickson 1178 Weston Dr Eagle River, WI 54521 715-479-1059/C 715-617-0685 clifferickson47@gmail.com

**Beloit** Earl Paulson 7105-S Co Hwy H Beloit, WI 53511 608-879-2304

epauls@live.com

Arkdale Doubles Duane Henriksen 239 Edgewood Dr Oxford, W154952 608-566-3655

Fond du Lac/Goldendale John Meyer 500 Martin Ave Fond du Lac, WI 54935 920-921-2936

jhmey64@hotmail.com

Butternut Pioneer Days Dennis Wegner 14563 Orchard Rd Butternut, WI, 54514 715-769-3551 jerwegner@hotmail.com

Walking Doubles/State John Secord W6868 Brown Rd Fond du Lac, WI 54937

Pond du Lac, VVI 5493 920-922-0080 whpajs@charter.net

Muskego Tom Steinke W343 S10062 Hwy E Eagle, WI 53119 262-594-5464 tomsteink2004@gmail.com

**Spring / Fall Meetings** Lake Delton Sportsman Club E 9602 Berry Rd Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965

#### Page 5





#### WHPA Awards Jane Smith

Several WHPA pitchers received special recognition during the Hall of Fame Ceremony on Sunday of the State tournament. The Pitcher of the Year (POY) Awards were presented by Jane Smith to Division A winner, Penny Steinke, 130 points; Division B Winner, Rudy Van Fleet, 150 points; and Division C Winner, Russ Brockway, 160 points.

This award is determined by placing 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> in any WHPA sanctioned tournament. Points are earned throughout the year – 15, 10, 5. WHPA members may also earn 15 points by attending the annual Spring and Fall WHPA meetings.

The Most Improved awards went to Cadet pitcher Sarah Chaffee for increasing her average over the year 51.26 points. Adult Most Improved went to Russ Brockway for improving his average 13.58 points.

President Gary Volz awarded Jimmy Paulson with the 2016 President's Award for his dedication to the WHPA and for his role in establishing computer scoring for tournament play throughout the state.

Congratulations to ALL of the WHPA award winners.

The David Family had over 30 family members attending the induction of Sylvia and Dan David into the WHPA Hall of Fame.





#### 2016 State Tournament Results

#### Championship Men

Ken Heinritz	7	Ι	51.63
Jeff Gustafson	6	2	46.29
Lonny Trangsrud	4	3	50.84
Randy Rein	3	4	49.7 I
Jeff Mauthe	3	4	41.52
Tory Jeske	2	5	45.24
Dean Chaffee	2	5	43.92
John Meyer	2	5	43.53

**Championship Women** 

5 0

4 

L

23

4

4

44.

Aleena Lepak

Penny Steinke

Glenda Lawver

Cindy Castellano I

Toni Sloper

Jane Smith



#### **Championship Cadet Girls**

Sarah Chaffee	5	0	64.58
Brooke Lazaris	4	Ι	49.14
Krystal Lazaris	3	2	18.38
Eliza Volz	2	3	2.54
Lillyan Kildahl	I.	4	6.72
Ella Volz	0	5	.83

#### **Championship Cadet Boys**

Kane Kuester	7	0	18.57
Brandon Benzing	5	2	18.57
Blake Benzing	5	2	15.38
Carter Poppe	5	2	6.67
Jedidiah Sowatzke	3	4	8.57
Bradley Benzing	2	5	.94
Connor Kildahl	L	6	.47

#### **Class A Elders**

Bun Carley	6	Ι	49.29
Bruce McLinn	6	2	50.3 I
Dave Schorbahn	6	3	49.69
Cal Pitel	5	3	47.14
Dave Ninnemann	3	4	48.93
Jerry Neimuth	3	4	48.57
Norm Beckius	T	6	33.21
Ed Hack	0	7	43.93

#### **Class B Elders**

John Brugger	6	Ι	42.5
Ken Davison	5	2	35.36
Al Holloway	4	3	39.29
Dick Poff	4	3	33.21
Jerry Schroeder	4	3	31,14
Rudy Van Fleet	2	5	28.57
John Dolezel	2	5	23.57
Tony Scrima	Ι	6	22.86

#### **Class C Elders**

Dennis Wegner	5		38.16
Roger Anderson	4	2	33
Ron Ramquist	3	2	33.2
Bob Cole	2	3	28
John Secord	Т	4	28.35
Gary Bloedorn	Ι	4	24.4











Page 7



#### **Championship Elders**

Larry Grabowski	7	0	62.50
Jim Bilderback	6	I	65.81
Ron Button	4	3	53.90
G Bogenschneide	r3	4	54.41
Bruce Mclinn	3	4	46.37
Bun Carley	3	4	45.32
Leo Richter	Ι	6	45.
John Brophy	I	6	43.29

#### **Championship Girls**

Caitlyn Trangsrud	5	0	30.29
Christina Heinritz	4	I.	25. <del>4</del> 8
Emily Lazaris	3	2	18.15
Lauren Cook	2	3	14.17
Becca Bisch	I	4	2.27

#### **Championship Boys**

/	0	61.61
6	Ι	45.65
5	2	37.35
4	3	28.26
3	4	23.12
2	5	19.06
L	6	16.55
0	7	20
	5 4 3 2 1	5 2 4 3 3 4 2 5 1 6



#### Class A Women

Jane Smith	6	Ι	43.21
Glenda Lawver	5	2	38.93
Dobie Gutweiller	5	2	33.21
Kari David	4	3	30
Laurie Dolezel	3	4	31.43
Tava Kildahl	2	5	30.71
Tonya Kaulum	2	5	28.57
Rondi Mengelt	Ι	6	24,29

#### **Class B Women**

Elaine Troullier	6	Ι	31.07
Sandra Balz	5	2	28.2 I
Trisha Pennoyer	4	3	25.7 I
Lisa White	4	3	25.36
Gloria Smith	4	3	23.21
Jennifer Wegner	3	4	17.07
Ceil Trossen	Ι	6	19.64
Heather Sowatzke I		6	13.57

#### Class C Women

Lori Lazaris	4	Ι
Mary Thompson	3	2
Tammy Newkirk	3	2
Monalisa Lane	3	2
Nancy Johnson	2	3
Barb Ramquist	0	5

#### Class A Men

Jeff Mauthe
Cliff Erickson
Mark Mauthe
Nick Muller
Jeff Gustafson
Rich Brockway
Jason Villwock
Les Karpiel

#### Class B Men

Rick Weller
Kevin Peterson
Joe McCrossen
Bob Kallstrom
Ray Groskinsky
Sean Anderson
Randy White
Mark Rice 0

#### 5 2 Т 6 Т 6

6 

5 2

4 3

4 3

6 

5 2

5 2

4 3

2 5



2	5	27.50
2	5	26.79
7	18	.44

3 4



20.8

19.2

10.4

52.5

48.93

43.21

47.86 47.86

35

37.5

37.5

	Craig David	4	3	
T	Evan Schoohs	4	3	
	Dan Newkirk	3	4	
	Dan Sheehan	3	4	
	Chuck Wagner	2	5	
	Tom Steinke	Ι	6	

Fred Lane	6	I	17.96
Gene Friede	5	2	13.93
Brian Herbst	4	3	18.93
Greg Bergles	4	3	18.21
Brian Hartman	3	4	23.24
Kent Frailing	3	4	19.64
Trent Bratland	2	5	17.86
Carl Lawver	Ι	6	14.64

# **Tournament Results**

#### Class C Men

Gary Wegner	6	2	34.38
Jarrod Bisch	5	3	38.75
Jay Jochimsen	4	3	33.93
Mark Anderson	4	3	31.07
Dave Torrey	4	3	26.79
Kerry Morris	3	4	27.86
Dave Volz	3	4	26.79

#### Class D Men

Russ Heinritz	7	0	38.2 I
Michael Benzing Jr	5	2	35.92
Dustin Duerr	4	3	33.45
James Wicklander	3	4	28.87
Jerremy Wegner	3	4	27.78
Dave Quaid	3	4	27.5
Randy Mitchell	2	5	22.14
Tom Endler	I	6	29.23

#### Class E Men

Joel Ramsdell	7	0	31.79
Gary Volz	5	2	26.43
Kurt Jochimsen	4	3	27.14
Terry Sternberg	4	3	22.86
John Drexler	3	4	27.86
Ray Cayer	3	4	25.71
Tim Sheehan	2	5	22.5

#### Class F Men

Eddie Wisniewski	7	0	30.36
Ralph Marthaler	4	3	28.93
Craig David	4	3	20
Evan Schoohs	4	3	20
Dan Newkirk	3	4	22.14
Dan Sheehan	3	4	20.71
Chuck Wagner	2	5	18.93
Tom Steinke	I	6	22.14

### Class G Men

e	6		17.96	
ede	5	2	13.93	
rbst	4	3	18.93	
gles	4	3	18.21	
rtman	3	4	23.24	
iling	3	4	19.64	
atland	2	5	17.86	TO T
			1424	













#### Page 8

#### Class H Men

Kevin Aarstad	6	I	15.71
Richard Conrad	5	2	15.71
Rory Balz	4	3	15.71
Mike Sheehan	4	3	11.07
Dave Palmershiem	4	3	8.93
John Sweeney	3	4	8.57
Steve Mengelt	2	5	5.36

### Lock Classic

Bill M	latey		
Class A			
Ron Button	4	2	56.6
Martin Papesh	4	2	48.7
G Bogenschneider	3	3	50
Class B			
B Vanden Elzen	4.5	1.5	37.9
Norb Fuhrman	4	2	43.7
Joe McCrossen	3.5	2.5	40.4
Class C			
Elaine Troullier	5	I	40
Steve Mielke	4	2	43.7
Dick Hanold	4	2	33
Class D			
Eddie Wisniewski	5	0	26
Tom Rosenthal	4	I	30
Gary Schmitz	2	3	21



#### Wet N Wild

Jane Smith

Class A			
Penny Steinke	7	0	63.93
Larry Grabowski	6	I.	65
Sarah Chaffee	5	2	50.7 I
Class B			
Toni Sloper	6	I	48.21
Pudge Dahl	5	2	41.79
Bob Knudtson	5	2	41.79
Class C			
Dennis Bach	4	I.	41.20
Jane Smith	4	I.	55.2
Tom Prokop	3	2	37.6



#### **Pioneer Days** Jer Wegner Class A Randy Rein 4 L 55.2 3 2 Larry Grabowski 63.6 Ron Button 3 2 59.2 Class B Susie Erickson 5 Т 41.67 37.92 Glenda Lawver 4 2 Heather Sowatzke 2 4 30 Class C Denis Wegner 5 0 34 Denis Bach 4 44.4 Т Heather Sowatzke 3 2 31.6 Class D 5 0 33.2 Jennifer Wegner Dan Sheehan 27.2 3 2 Mark Stevens 3 2 15

We had a great turnout for our second year running our Pioneer Days tournament. We had the current Mens and Elder Men's state champs, Randy Rein and Larry Grabowski, along with former state champions Ron Button and Mark Stevens as well.

There were also I<sup>st</sup> year sanctioned throwers mixed in the bunch. There was a bit of a ringer % difference in A and B classes so we threw in a handicap to try and level the playing field. Overall, I think it worked out, depending on if you ask the higher ranked throwers or the lower ones!

We also reached our goal to fill 4 classes for the day with 24 throwers, but we can always make room for more next year!

A big **Thank You** goes out to everyone who came out and made our tournament a success!

#### Class D

Ralph Marthaler	4	I	32.4
Mark Anderson	3.5	I.5	33.2
Dustin Duerr	3	2	29.2
Class E			
Jim Ganther	4	I.	11.2
Bill Nelson	4	I.	18.
Gloria Smith	3	2	20.8
Class F			
Theresa Vlach	5	0	27.6
Larry Danielson	4	I	12.8
Rich Reever	3	2	16.8

#### **Tournament Recap**

Kevin Brekke

A week after a successfully State Tournament in Mosinee, the 94<sup>th</sup> one, I wanted to recap what I saw, felt, and experienced. First off, I wanted to congratulate all the winners, and the 28 first time pitchers at the state tournament. Well done. I also want to give a big heart felt thank you to the scorekeepers who kept score for one or more rounds. Special thanks to Randy, Nancy and Ashley Mitchell who worked tirelessly for every session they could keep score. Jane Smith and Edie McKinney, former Scorekeepers of the year, can be counted on to fill in where needed. The team Toni Sloper and Cindy Castellano kept score all day Saturday that made things a lot easier to schedule. And, as always, the Heinritz/Lazaris families have had a number of members that have kept score for me in the past, and this year was no exception. Ken Heinritz, Emily, Christina, Blake, and Steven Lazaris, thank you for making this a successful tournament. I only receive good comments, and you all should feel proud for the job you did.

I was so happy that Jimmy Paulson received the President's Award. Jimmy and I have been working together since we started with electronic scoring for the State and Team World events. We also traveled down to Knoxville Tennessee to the World in 2012, and a special setup event in Milwaukee looking for new members. I have seen Jimmy in action and I am thankful that we can call each other a friend. Thank you, Jimmy.

One thing I love about this game is the friendships developed over the years. I started pitching because it was something to do along with all the other activities I was involved with in 1973. Little did I know life would take me to my first state meet in 1983 in Eau Claire. Another pitcher's first state meet was that year, you might have heard of him, Randy Rein. We did not know each other at the time, but by 1987 we did, and we camped together in Eau Claire that year for my first World Tournament. We went too numerous big and small tournaments together, and I always kept score for his class. It has been an honor and privilege to know Randy and Marge, and work with them at the current and previous state tournaments in Mosinee. They along with others that worked so hard, made this a top notch State Tournament for Wisconsin.

For those 28 new state pitchers I once again want to say welcome, and hope your experience was a great one. I believe sanctioned pitching is on the rise because of people like yourself. I received many positive comments on the banner you signed, and we will continue to do this for upcoming state events. You can let others know that when they get sanctioned, and come to state for the first time, they will be recognized, and will sign the banner for all to see. Looking forward to seeing all of you, and more in Beloit for the 95<sup>th</sup> State Tournament.

#### Arkdale Doubles

Ray Groskinsky

#### Class A

Gunnar David / Randy Rein Jerry Neimuth / Cliff Erickson Martin Papesh / Ray Groskinsky **Class B** Duane Henriksen / Dave Wietrzak James Wicklander / Heather Sowatzke Ray Cayer / Art Collien

A very SPECIAL thanks to Trent Bratland for all of the State Tournament pictures he took and shared on his Facebook page. Thanks for a job well done. Want to stay up to date on horseshoes? Subscribe to the WHPA email bulletin. Simply send a blank email to: whpa\_bulletinsubscribe@yahoogroups.com It's easy and free! Be sure to let your friends and neighbors know!

Friend us on Facebook at: WHPA-Wisconsin Horseshoe Pitchers Association

By Randy & Marge Rein

Another state tournament has come and gone. We started setting up for the tournament on Friday, August 26, 2016. Thanks to the City of Mosinee again for allowing us in a week early. Kent Frailing, Rory Balz and Randy Rein hauled the clay to the rec. center on Thursday night on Kent's trailer. On Friday morning Ken Jaeger arrived at the rec. center around 7:00 am, along with Gunnar David, Ray Groskinsky and his grandson Nicholas Prasalowicz to start measuring out the courts and begin the taping process.

Around 8:00 am we started shoveling the clay out of the barrels and filling the pits. This was a lot of hard work and we certainly appreciated all of the horseshoe people that came out to give us a hand; Kent Frailing, Kari David, Ed Hack, Fred Lane, Ray Cayer, Jason Villwock, Marge Rein, John and Barb Olson, Rory and Sandra Balz, and two high school students that needed to complete some community service work. By 4:30 pm that evening all of the taping was done and the courts were inside the rec. center with clay. Thanks to all of you for your hard work. This certainly was a team effort – A job well done!

On Wednesday, August 31, 2016 at 6:00 am, our mats arrived at the Rec. Center from Unifirst Corporation out of Wisconsin Rapids. John Olson received a call from the driver around 5:00 am saying he would be there by 6:00 am. John knew the mats would be delivered that morning, but we didn't think it would be 6:00 am! He was told some time in the morning? Randy Rein and John Olson met the driver at the rec. center and helped unload the mats. That evening some of the club members started rolling the mats out by the pits and we started to tape the mats down. This was another long process and a lot of work. Kent Frailing spent all of Friday morning and early afternoon finishing up the taping process. We had a lot more Cadets in this tournament and we needed to protect the floor in the hockey arena from chipping the cement floor.

We had a total of (150) pitchers entered into the state tournament this year. We had (28) pitchers that this was their first state tournament. Each time we host a state tournament we try to make improvements. This year we gave each one of the scorekeepers a pocker chip at the beginning of the shift. When they were done keeping score they could turn it in at the registration table to get paid. This seemed to help keep the tournament on track. Thanks to all scorekeepers that kept score. We would like to thank Kevin Brekke for taking charge of the scorekeeping again for us and Jimmy Paulson for printing up the round robin cards and keeping the tournament stats again. We could have <u>not</u> done this without your help. Thanks again – you guys are great!

Saturday morning the tournament started at 8:00 am sharp with the singing of the national anthem by Valerie Hoffman. Valeria is the daughter of Kurt Jochimsen. We had a pretty tight schedule on Saturday with (4) classes at 8:00 am, (4) classes at noon, and (5) classes at 4:00 pm.

Some of the highlights from Saturday were; Jane Smith won the Class A Women and moved up to the Championship Women Class on Sunday. Glenda Lawver was high ringer percentage and she also moved up to Championship Women Class.

In Class A Man – Jeff Mauthe was the winner and he moved up into the Championship Men's Class on Sunday. Cliff Erickson was the high ringer percentage winner in the class and it awarded him the move up to Championship Men's. Cliff was unable to pitch on Sunday, so it went to Nick Muller who was next in line with the high ringer percentage. Nick was unable to pitch on Sunday. So the next high ringer percentage in the class was Jeff Gustafson who moved up to Championship Men's Class on Sunday. Jeff was very happy to have the opportunity and did very well on Sunday.

In Class A Elder – Bernard Carley was the winner and he moved up to the Championship Elders Class on Sunday. Bruce McLinn was the high ringer percentage winner and he also moved up to the Championship Elders Class.

There were several play-off games on Saturday as well. In Class C Elders there was a play-off between Dennis Wegner and Roger Anderson. The winner was Dennis Wegner with a record of 5 -1, averaging 38.16%.

#### Continued from page 11

At 8:00 am on Sunday morning, Chaplain Ken Heinritz held a church service in the small meeting room at the rec. center. The service was well attended by the horseshoe pitchers.

At 9:00 am the tournament was back on schedule with the singing of the national anthem by Valerie Hoffman and accompanied by Lewis Rosove playing the viola. Thank you both – nicely done.

Following the morning session around 1:00 pm the Hall of Fame presentation and awards ceremony took place. Mayor Brent Jacobson of the City of Mosinee was in attendance and gave a big welcome to everyone in attendance. Jeff Secord introduced the Hall of Fame members in attendance also the 2016 inductees – Dan and Sylvia David award was accepted by family members on their behalf. Congratulations to Dan and Sylvia! President Gary Volz presented the President Award and Jane Smith presented the Most Improved Player Awards and Pitcher of the Year Awards. Sonia Cook announced the winners of the Junior Scholarship Raffle. Due to the number of prizes this year, she only mentioned the top (3) winners. All others had to check the table to see if there name was on the list to claim their prize.

The winners of the raffle by The Little Bull Falls Horseshoe Club were as follows: Lakefront Brewery Sign/Beer Tap – Kent Frailing, Mosinee – **ticket #7548154** 

Eagle Painting by local Artist – Linda Schiradelly – Aurora, IL – **ticket # 7548087** 

Makita Saw – Tom Steinke, Eagle, WI – **ticket # 7548134** 

At 2:00 pm the Championship Classes began with the singing of the national anthem by Valerie Hoffman. President Gary Volz introduced the pitchers and the competition was under way.

Gunnar David won the Championship Boys Class defending his title again. You pitched a great tournament with a 7-0 record, averaging 61.61%. Congratulations Gunnar!

Aleena Lepak won the Championship Womens Class defending her title again with a 5-0 record, averaging 65.65%. Congratulations Aleena!

Larry Grabowski won the Championship Elders Class defending his title again with a 7-0 record, averaging 62.50%. Congratulations Larry! We had a play-off game in the Championship Mens Class between Ken Heinritz and Jeff Gustafson. Ken Heinritz won the play-off game 40-27 becoming the 2016 Mens State Champion. Ken had a record of 7-0, averaging 51.63%. Congratulations Ken! Jeff Gustafson finished in 2<sup>nd</sup> place and Lonny Trangsrud finished in 3<sup>rd</sup> place.

We would like to thank McDonalds in Mosinee for providing a "free" small French fry coupon to all cadet and junior pitchers.

The Boy Scouts Troop 451 from Kronenwetter handled the food, pop and water for us. Our club members Ed Hack and Larry Klopotek handled the beer. Thank you.

Barb Olson and Marge Rein handled the registration table and paying of the scorekeepers. Thank you.

We had ordered a total of (89) T-shirts and only had (3) left at the start of the tournament. It didn't take long and they were all gone. I guess that is your goal, <u>not</u> to have any shirts left over. Thanks to Kent Frailing for handling the initial order of the T -shirts with Screenmaster.

Ed Hack handled the plaques and medallions again with I<sup>st</sup> Place Trophies & Engraving from Wausau. They did a nice job again.

Rory Balz provided the sound system for us. Thanks Rory it worked great!

John Olson handled getting the mats from Unifirst Corporation out of Wisconsin Rapids to protect the concrete floor of the hockey area. Thanks John.

We had (32) businesses that purchased ads in our state tournament booklet. Forms Specialists in Mosinee printed our booklet again. Thank you!

Thanks to the City of Mosinee for allowing camping again in the parking lot of the rec. center for self-contained units. That seemed to work out well again.

Thanks to Fred Lane for contacting the local TV stations and newspapers to promote our tournament. We had TV coverage by Channel 12-Rhinelander, Channel 7 and Channel 9 from Wausau who stopped at the rec. center.

Continued on page 13

Marge and Randy Rein continued from page 12 Thanks to all of you that helped after the tournament on Sunday evening with removing tape from the floor and mats and helped pick up the mats.

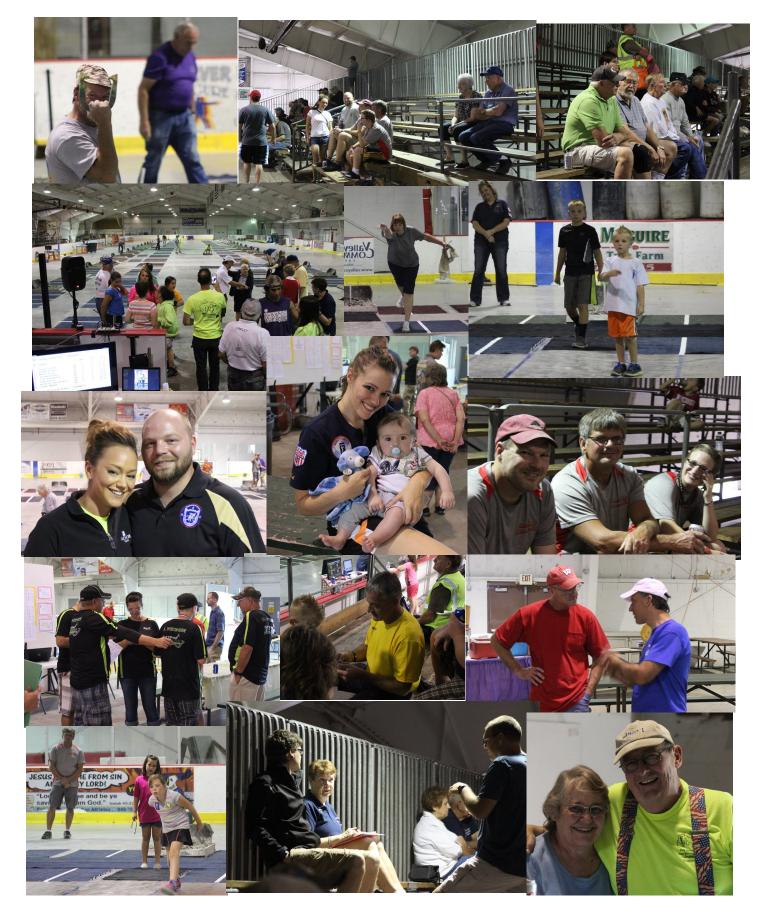
On Monday morning the tear down process began by 8:00 am removing clay from the courts and putting it back in the barrel. Thanks to Kent Frailing for the use of his fork lift to pick up the barrels and load them on to his trailer and then haul them out to Randy Rein's shop to unload with his tractor. All of the horseshoe pits, scorekeeper tables, etc. are stored in Randy's shop. Thanks to everyone that helped us with the clean up of the rec. center. It took us approximately 6 hours to complete this project. It was very nice of President Gary Volz to help us on Monday with removing the clay from the pits. He got to see firsthand what is all involved with this. The Little Bull Falls Horseshoe Club worked very hard to put on a great tournament for you. I would like to thank everyone that helped out in some way to make this tournament a success. To me it was our "world tournament", only it was better than the NHPA World Tournament. Maybe they could learn from us.

We received many nice compliments about the tournament. Thank you. We heard there were some issues with the Quality Inn Motel in Mosinee. Marge has been in contact with them. We apologize for this.

We hope everyone enjoyed their time in Mosinee and had a safe trip back home again. The 2017 state tournament will be in Beloit.



#### Page 13



### Greetings,

Do you enjoy pitching horseshoes, having fun & hanging out with good company? <u>WE DO TOO</u>!!! We want to encourage you to become a member of the Wisconsin Horseshoe Pitchers Association.

How do I join?

- You are invited to attend the WHPA fall meeting on October 15<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm, where you can pay for your membership and pick up your sanction card on the spot.
  - ♦ Located at the Lake Delton Sportsman's Club
  - 6 E. 9602 Berry Rd. Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965
- If you can't attend the meeting, you're welcome to fill out and send in the membership form (attached)
  below and we will mail you your sanction card.
- Annual membership fees are \$25 for adults and \$5 for youth under age 18.

Why join?

- You will be able to participate in tournaments all over the state, all throughout the year.
- You'll have an opportunity to pitch in the 2017 State and World Horseshoe Tournaments.
- 2017 World Horseshoe Tournament will be held in St. George, Utah
- 2017 Wisconsin State Horseshoe Tournament will be held in Beloit, Wisconsin

# \*\*\*\*BONUS\*\*\*\*

If you become a member on Oct 15<sup>th</sup> or later, you will be eligible to pitch in the remaining tournaments for 2016 (see below) and all of 2017!!!

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Tournament</b>	Entry Fee	Deadline	<b>Contact</b>
22/23 Oct	Deansville Singles	\$18	Oct 15	Rudy Van Fleet
05/06 Nov	Autumn Harvest	\$20	Oct 25	Earl Paulson
12/13 Nov	Doubles at the Barrel	\$20 \$20	Nov 05	Rudy Van Fleet
03/04 Dec	Snowflake	\$20	Nov 23	Earl Paulson
10/11 Dec	Deansville Open	\$18	Nov 26	Rudy Van Fleet



If you have any questions, feel free to contact Fred Lane by phone at 715-347-2507 or please email at <u>fred-lane@live.com</u> For more information on Wisconsin Horseshoe Pitching visit us online at <u>www.whpahorseshoes.com</u> and "LIKE" us on Facebook at <u>www.facebook.com/whpahorseshoes</u>



#### What's New?

lane Smith

Welcome to an additional 40 new WHPA members. I recently received the latest names of new members from John Secord. We had a total of 76 new WHPA members this year. Unfortunately, we also lost 74 members. The good news, these new members either have or will receive a complimentary copy of a WHNL. A warm welcome to the following new members: Donna Berquam, Aaron Bertsinger, Mike Ezell, Michael Felske, Trevor Forst,

Tim Fox, Paulie Frank, Wendy Gilson, Joshua Gormanson, Rob Gormanson, Riley Hawkins, Jessica Hendricks, Paul Henning, Eric Hoffman, Tom Jacobson, Ryan Knutson, Glenda Lawver, Lori Lazaris, Logan Lepak, Dave Michalek, Tony Morgese, Ashley Nelson, Caitlyn Olson, Trisha Pennoyer, Bob Perdzock, Aunie Proulx, Dawn Raine, Rich Reever, Paul Roehl, Doug Schroeder, Dave Skrobis, Jared Smith, Brandon Ukmanski, Eva Ukmanski, Theresa Vlach, Patty Walker, CJ Wodushek, Jack Zane II, Lauren Cook and Braedyn Gessert. Congratulations to the new members who also had the required three tournaments to pitch at the 2016 State Tournament.

Think how awesome it would be if we could cut those not renewing their membership by half!! Maybe a challenge to all WHPA members for 2017. Welcome to our association. Be sure to check out our website for more horseshoe pitching information.

We still have WHPA members facing health challenges of many kinds. Send a few extra prayers of healing and comfort to those fighting for good / improved health.

		WHPA Fall Meeting Reminder	- 1
1	October 15, 2016 1:00	Lake Delton Sportsman Club E 9602 Berry Rd Wisconsin Dells	
	WHNL	meeting 10:30 McDonalds Exit 89 Wi Dells	_

## 2017 NHPA / WHPA Membership & Renewal Form

Name:				
Street A	ddress:			City:
Zip Code: Phone #:		En	nail:	
If new m	ember, refer	red by:		NHPA Card #:
Circle yo	our Division:	Men-\$25	Women-\$25	Elder Men-\$25 (70+)
		Jr. Boys -\$5	Jr. Girls-\$5	Med/Exempt-\$25
		Cadet Boys-\$5	Cadet Girls-\$5	
	Jrs. & Cadets include Birthda		clude Birthdate:	
Send to:	WHPA W6868 Brow Fond du Lac, Y			

#### (NOTE: Include a self-addressed, stamped envelope.)